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## **Economic Growth Region 2**

Statistical Data Report for February 2014, Released April 2014

## Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in February. Twenty-nine states had unemployment rate decreases from January, 10 states had increases, and 11 states and the District of Columbia had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier and one state had no change. The national jobless rate, 6.7 percent, was little changed from January, but was 1.0 percentage point lower than in February 2013.

February 2014 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)								
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Feb 2014 Rate	Jan 2014 Rate	Feb 2013 Rate		
U.S.	155,027,000	144,134,000	10,893,000	7.0%	7.0%	8.1%		
IN	3,180,313	2,961,746	218,567	6.9%	6.5%	8.6%		
EGR 2	292,243	272,437	19,806	6.8%	6.6%	9.0%		
Elkhart-Gosh MSA	93,973	88,100	5,873	6.2%	6.2%	8.8%		
So Bend-Mish MSA	151,129	139,626	11,503	7.6%	7.5%	9.7%		
Elkhart Co.	93,973	88,100	5,873	6.2%	6.2%	8.8%		
Fulton Co.	9,779	9,020	759	7.8%	7.5%	9.7%		
Kosciusko Co.	40,733	38,538	2,195	5.4%	5.3%	7.1%		
Marshall Co.	22,149	20,563	1,586	7.2%	7.0%	9.0%		
St Joseph Co.	125,609	116,216	9,393	7.5%	7.3%	9.7%		
Elkhart	22,902	21,226	1,676	7.3%	7.4%	10.5%		
Goshen	14,729	13,810	919	6.2%	5.9%	8.2%		
Mishawaka	24,346	22,608	1,738	7.1%	7.1%	9.4%		
Plymouth	4,590	4,185	405	8.8%	7.9%	10.5%		
South Bend	43,482	39,854	3,628	8.3%	8.3%	11.3%		
Warsaw	6,766	6,384	382	5.6%	5.5%	7.7%		

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Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis,

**Local Area Unemployment Statistics** 



# Economic Growth Region 2 (EGR2)

Elkhart, Fulton, Kosciusko, Marshall and St. Joseph Counties.

# Unemployment Rates by State, February 2014 (seasonally adjusted)

U.S - 6.7% Illinois - 8.7% Indiana - 6.1% Kentucky - 7.8% Michigan - 7.7% Ohio - 6.5%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Unemployment Rank by County, February 2014 (high to low)

#27 - Fulton - 7.8%

#38 - St. Joseph - 7.5%

#41 - Marshall - 7.2%

#64 - Elkhart - 6.2%

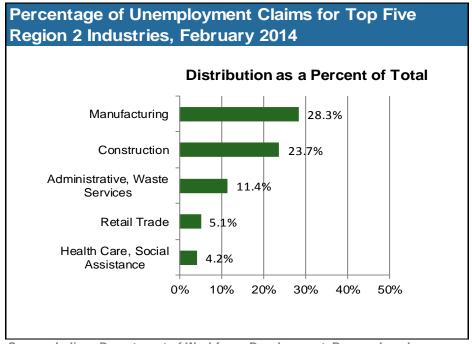
#87 - Kosciusko - 5.4%

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to February 2014 from:							
CPI Item	Feb-13	Jan-14	Feb-13	Jan-14			
	Midwest	t Region*	U.S. City				
All Items	0.9%	0.6%	1.1%	0.4%			
Food & Beverages	1.6%	0.5%	1.4%	0.3%			
Housing	2.1%	0.4%	2.5%	0.3%			
Apparel	-0.2%	1.6%	-0.6%	1.0%			
Transportation	-3.2%	0.8%	-2.2%	0.6%			
Medical Care	2.9%	0.8%	2.3%	0.7%			
Recreation	0.0%	0.6%	0.3%	0.3%			
Education & Communication	1.1%	0.4%	1.1%	0.0%			
Other Goods & Services	2.6%	-0.1%	1.9%	0.2%			

\*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

#### **WARN Notices**

WARN Notices for Region 2 - February 2014							
Company	City	County	<b>Affected Workers</b>	<b>Notice Date</b>			
Allied Specialty Vehicles	Elkhart	Elkhart	85	2/10/2014			

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, WARN Notices

For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet: http://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm

### Unemployment Claims, February 2014 Economic Growth Region 2 (EGR2)

#### **Initial Claims**

Feb 1 2013 - 529

Feb 8 2013 - 540

Feb 21 2013 – 458

Feb 28 2013 - 366

#### **Continued Claims**

Feb 1 2013 - 5,184

Feb 8 2013 - 5,035

Feb 21 2013 - 4,196

Feb 28 2013 - 4,168

#### Total Claims\*

Feb 1 2013 - 5,713

Feb 8 2013 - 5,575

Feb 21 2013 - 4,654

Feb 28 2013 - 4,534

(D): Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues.

#### State of Indiana

#### **Initial Claims**

Feb 1 2013 - 6,923

Feb 8 2013 - 5,458

Feb 21 2013 - 4,967

Feb 28 2013 - 3,882

#### **Continued Claims**

Feb 1 2013 - 58.672

Feb 8 2013 – 57,160

Feb 21 2013 - 48,657

Feb 28 2013 - 47,424

#### **Total Claims\***

Feb 1 2013 - 65,627

Feb 8 2013 - 62,636

Feb 21 2013 - 53,637

Feb 28 2013 - 51,306

Total claims include EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation). Please see Hoosiers by the Numbers for additional information. Claims data are updated weekly,

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

Elkhart-Goshen MSA Wage and Salaried Employment, February 2014								
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
				Change	Change	Change	Change	
Industry	Feb-14	Jan-14	Feb-13	Jan-14 to Feb-14		Feb-13 to Feb-14		
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL	118,900	117,400	115,600	1,500	1.3%	3,300	2.9%	
Total Private Employmt	110,100	108,600	106,700	1,500	1.4%	3,400	3.2%	
Goods Producing	57,500	56,600	55,900	900	1.6%	1,600	2.9%	
Mining, Logging, Constrn	2,100	2,200	2,400	-100	-4.6%	-300	-12.5%	
Manufacturing	55,400	54,400	53,500	1,000	1.8%	1,900	3.6%	
Durable Goods	46,800	46,500	45,200	300	0.7%	1,600	3.5%	
Transportation Equip	28,200	28,100	27,100	100	0.4%	1,100	4.1%	
Motr Veh Body/Trailrs	22,400	22,300	21,600	100	0.5%	800	3.7%	
Furniture and Related	4,000	3,900	3,900	100	2.6%	100	2.6%	
Service Providing	61,400	60,800	59,700	600	1.0%	1,700	2.9%	
Private Service Providing	52,600	52,000	50,800	600	1.2%	1,800	3.5%	
Trade, Transp, & Utilities	18,100	18,000	17,500	100	0.6%	600	3.4%	
Wholesale Trade	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Retail Trade	9,300	9,300	8,900	0	0.0%	400	4.5%	
Transp/Warehousg/Utils	3,200	3,100	3,000	100	3.2%	200	6.7%	
Information	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	2,800	2,800	2,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Professional & Business	10,100	9,700	9,100	400	4.1%	1,000	11.0%	
Educational & Health	10,700	10,600	10,900	100	0.9%	-200	-1.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	6,700	6,700	6,400	0	0.0%	300	4.7%	
Other Services	3,600	3,600	3,500	0	0.0%	100	2.9%	
Government	8,800	8,800	8,900	0	0.0%	-100	-1.1%	
Federal Government	200	300	200	-100	-33.3%	0	0.0%	
State Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Local Government	8,400	8,300	8,500	100	1.2%	-100	-1.2%	
Local Govt Education	6,100	6,000	6,000	100	1.7%	100	1.7%	

Source: Indiana Dept of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

# Applicant Pool Top 20 Occupations Desired by Active Applicants on Their Resumes in the Past 12 Months

- 1 Customer Service Representatives - 439
- 2 Helpers--Production Workers - 398
- 3 Office Clerks, General 280
- 4 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand - 260
- 5 Cashiers 220
- 6 Administrative Services Managers - 182
- 7 Receptionists and Information Clerks - 162
- 8 First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers - 158
- Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks - 156
- 10 Nursing Assistants 150
- **11** Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks 131
- 12 Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants 122
- 13 Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters 121
- 14 Retail Salespersons 118
- 15 Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive - 114
- 16 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard - 111
- 17 Accountants 109
- 18 Machinists 102
- 19 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General 98
- 20 General and Operations Managers - 96

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

South Bend MSA Wage and Salaried Employment, February 2014							
				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	stry Feb-14 Jan-14 Feb-13			Jan-14 to Feb-14		Feb-13 to Feb-14	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL	132,900	132,400	131,800	500	0.4%	1,100	0.8%
Total Private Employment	117,100	116,900	115,900	200	0.2%	1,200	1.0%
Goods Producing	20,600	20,600	20,300	0	0.0%	300	1.5%
Mining, Logging, Constrn	3,800	3,900	3,800	-100	-2.6%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	16,800	16,700	16,500	100	0.6%	300	1.8%
Transportation Equipmt	2,500	2,500	3,000	0	0.0%	-500	-16.7%
Service Providing	112,300	111,800	111,500	500	0.5%	800	0.7%
Private Service Providing	96,500	96,300	95,600	200	0.2%	900	0.9%
Trade, Transp, & Utilities	24,300	24,600	23,900	-300	-1.2%	400	1.7%
Wholesale Trade	6,200	6,200	6,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	14,400	14,700	14,100	-300	-2.0%	300	2.1%
Gen Merch Stores	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	-3.0%	0	0.0%
Transp/Warehousg/Utils	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	0.0%	100	2.8%
Information	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	5,100	5,100	5,200	0	0.0%	-100	-1.9%
Professional & Business	12,100	12,000	12,000	100	0.8%	100	0.8%
Educational & Health	35,100	34,600	35,000	500	1.5%	100	0.3%
Hospitals	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	12,700	12,800	12,300	-100	-0.8%	400	3.3%
Food Srvcs/Drinkg Plcs	10,600	10,500	10,400	100	1.0%	200	1.9%
Other Services	5,400	5,400	5,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	15,800	15,500	15,900	300	1.9%	-100	-0.6%
Federal Government	1,000	1,000	1,100	0	0.0%	-100	-9.1%
State Government	2,600	2,500	2,600	100	4.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	12,200	12,000	12,200	200	1.7%	0	0.0%

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

# Frequently Listed Jobs Top 20 Job listings by number of openings in Region 2 for the month of February 2014

- 1 Retail Salespersons
- 2 Helpers--Production Workers
- 3 Registered Nurses
- **4** Nursing Assistants
- 5 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
- 6 Manufacturing Production Technicians
- 7 Team Assemblers
- 8 Postal Service Mail Carriers
- 9 Machinists
- 10 Personal Care Aides
- 11 Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs
- 12 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer
  Truck Drivers
- 13 Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers
- 14 Counter and Rental Clerks
- 15 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
- **16** Childcare Workers
- 17 Customer Service Representatives
- 18 Automotive Body and Related Repairers
- 19 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 20 First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers

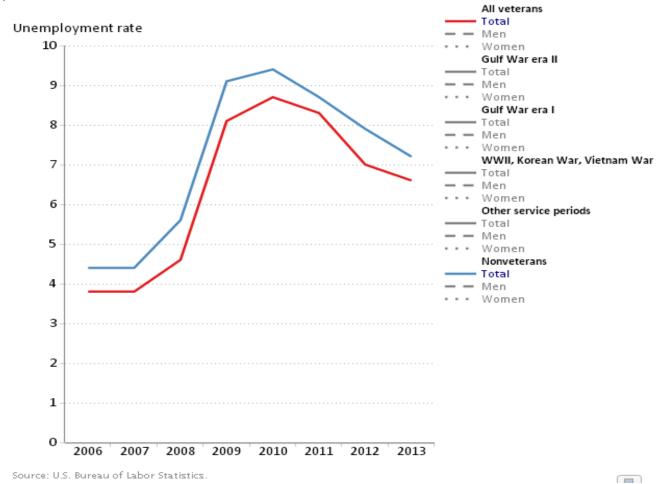
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

### **Unemployment Rate for Veterans Edges Down in 2013**

(Excerpted from the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, The Editor's Desk — March 25, 2014)

The jobless rate for all veterans edged down, from 7.0 percent in 2012 to 6.6 percent in 2013. Among all veterans, the unemployment rate for women declined to 6.9 percent in 2013. The rate for male veterans edged down to 6.5 percent.

The unemployment rate for Gulf War-era II veterans (veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time since September 2001) also edged down, from 9.9 percent in 2012 to 9.0 percent in 2013.



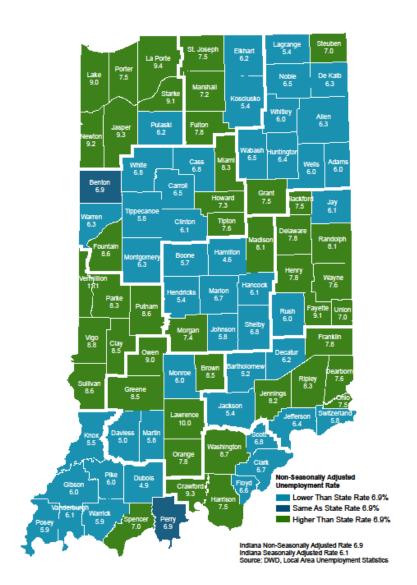
The unemployment rate for male Gulf War-era II veterans (8.8 percent) was higher than the rate for male nonveterans (7.5 percent) in 2013. Among women, the unemployment rate for Gulf War-era II veterans (9.6 percent) was also higher in 2013 than the rate for nonveterans (6.8 percent).

In 2013, the unemployment rates for male and female Gulf War-era I veterans (who served between August 1990 and August 2001) were 5.7 percent and 5.3 percent, respectively, lower than the rates for their Gulf War-era II veteran counterparts (8.8 percent and 9.6 percent, respectively). These differences in the unemployment rates reflect, at least in part, the older age profile of veterans who served during Gulf War era I. Younger workers—whether veterans or nonveterans—are more likely to be unemployed than older workers. Unemployment rates of Gulf War era I veterans were little different from their nonveteran counterparts of the same age and gender.

In 2013, the unemployment rate of veterans who served during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam Era (nearly all of whom were men) was 6.5 percent, about the same as in 2012.

These data are from the Current Population Survey, a monthly survey of households that provides information on employment and unemployment in the United States. For more information, see "Employment Situation of Veterans — 2013." news release USDL-14-0434.

## **County Unemployment Rates February 2014**





### **Questions?**

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